

FIRST CANADIAN TROOPS HOLDING GROUND GRIMLY IN FIERCE BATTLE

Germans abandon drive against French line in Flanders and concentrate attempt to pierce front held by sturdy soldiers

FIGHTING IS TERRIFIC AND EXTREMELY DEADLY

Recent rushes of Teutons declared by Paris to have resulted in repulse of enemy; half-million men to rescue

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, April 26.—Having abandoned, temporarily at least, the drive against the French section of the Allies' line in Flanders, the Germans yesterday concentrated their attempt to pierce the line against that section held by the troops of the First Canadian Contingent, who are in death grips with the Prussians in their first taste of real battling. The Canadians last night, according to the official reports, were holding their ground grimly, the fighting being of the most deadly description.

Repulsed With Heavy Loss

Conflicting reports of the outcome of the recent rushes of the Germans in Flanders and in the Woivre region are received. The official despatches from Paris state that in both regions the Germans have not only failed to make substantial progress but have been repulsed and driven back with extremely heavy losses. This is particularly the case in the eastern section, east of Verdun and north of Thiancourt, where the drives of the Crown Prince have not checked the French gains, making the position of the Germans at St. Mihiel increasingly insecure.

Berlin, however, officially claims gains both in Flanders and the Woivre, the German headquarters' reports detailing a number of captured points.

German Offensive a Feint

It is the opinion of the military experts here that the German offensive between the Meuse and the Moselle is in the nature of a feint, to distract attention from the main effort in Flanders to smash a path to the Channel. It is believed that the seven corps of von Beseler and the Crown Prince of Wurtemberg have been reinforced by at least half a million men, while the air scouts report that great quantities of artillery are being brought to the front in Flanders.

Evidently the efforts made in August and in October to crush the British and Belgian armies are to be greatly surpassed in the present attempt. It is realized that much depends upon the result of the battling in Flanders during the present week.

HEAVY RAINS INCREASE DESTRUCTION BY FLOODS

AUSTIN, Texas, April 26.—Continued heavy rains are adding to the damage and destruction wrought to the worst storm and floods Texas has known since Galveston was washed away. Hundreds in the central low lands have been forced to flee to higher levels, and a score are reported missing.

OLDEST PRIEST PASSES AWAY

MADRID, April 26.—The Rt. Rev. Abbot Don Anacleto Salazar, the oldest priest in Europe, is dead at Oñate, Spain, aged one hundred and three. He was born in July, 1811, and was ordained in 1835, thus having spent eighty years in the priesthood. On his one hundredth birthday he was raised to the abbatial dignity.

SON OF SEWARD PASSES BEYOND

Warned Lincoln of Plot To Assassinate Martyr President in Baltimore

Also Saved Father From Death Nearly At Loss of Own Life

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
MONTEROSE, New York, April 25.—Frederick William Seward, son of William Henry Seward, secretary of state in the cabinet of President Lincoln, died here yesterday of diseases incident upon advanced years, at the age of eighty-five. Of late he had lived in retirement on his Westchester county estate here.

Not so well known as his more famous father, Frederick Seward nevertheless was closely identified with some of the gravest events in the history of the nation.

Warns Lincoln of Plot

When the Civil War broke out, and his father was named one of the cabinet by Lincoln, young Seward, then thirty-one years old, gave up his position as editor of the Albany Evening Journal to become associated with his father as assistant secretary of state.

It was he who was chosen to warn Lincoln of the plot to assassinate him that had been hatched in Baltimore. On his way to his inauguration, Lincoln was to have passed from New York, where he had just delivered an address, through Philadelphia and Baltimore to Washington.

President Avoids Baltimore

Maryland was almost wholly Southern in its sympathies and Baltimore was a hotbed of secession. A plot had been hatched to shoot Lincoln in the railway station.

Warned of his danger, the President-elect took a special train at Philadelphia, and, instead of passing through Baltimore on the line of the Baltimore and Ohio, made a detour by night through Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and arrived in Washington the following day by a roundabout route over the line of the Pennsylvania railroad.

Seward served as assistant secretary of state, not only for Lincoln, but in the succeeding cabinets of Johnson and Hayes, during whose terms he was at times acting secretary.

Seward Saves His Father

When the attempt to assassinate William Henry Seward was made in April, 1865, it was the son that saved him, nearly at the loss of his own life. In addition to participating in the negotiations for the purchase of Alaska, he also took part in the acquisition of Pago Pago, American Samoa.

ITALIAN SOCIALISTS ARE OPPOSING WAR

One Faction Threatens General Strike If Rome Enters Conflict Against Austria

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
ROME, April 26.—Not all Italy is united in desiring to enter the war on the side of the Allies.

A faction of the Socialist party is issued a manifesto here yesterday declaring themselves opposed to all war, and threatening to cause a general strike over the whole of Italy, if mobilization is ordered.

This faction, however, is not in control of the party, one section of which joined three weeks ago in the general demonstrations demanding war. More over the party is not in control of the government, by many removes.

On the whole the manifesto is calculated to strengthen the hand of the cabinet in dealing with the situation as it seems wisest.

COLLEGES GIVE FULL SHARE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, April 26.—The bureau of universities of the British Empire, which has prepared a war roll of the colleges of England and the colonies, announces that the average contribution in men from the universities and colleges thus far is just over fifty per cent.

POLICEWOMEN ARE WANTED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, April 26.—The chief of police at Southampton is advertising for policewomen at a salary of from \$7 to \$9 a week.

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FINANCIAL MARKET OF COUNTRY SOLID

Statement By Controller of Currency Shows Huge Increase in Loans and Discounts

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, April 26.—With a view to strengthening the confidence of the country in the business outlook, the controller of the currency issued a statement here last night showing a huge increase in the volume of loans and discounts made by the banks.

The announcement follows on the heels of an approximation given out last Friday by Secretary Redfield of the department of commerce, estimating that the value of United States exports for the first year will exceed those of the year previous by a quarter of a billion dollars.

The controller's figures as of March 4 show that 7599, national banks reporting to him on that date had done a business in loans and discounts aggregating \$6,499,041,903, which is an increase over the figures shown in the report of December 31 of \$152,322,094.

DANIELS WRITES OF CONDITION OF NAVY

Gives Version of Efficiency in Defense of Policy Pursued By Department

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, April 26.—In defense of his administration of the navy department, Secretary Daniels gave out here last night the text of a long letter to President Garfield of Williams College, Massachusetts.

The secretary gives in detail a review of the work of the department for the past two years. He sets down figures of the efficiency of all vessels in commission, the quality of training that is given, the methods of practice in which men and officers are drilled, and the progress of the department toward making its own guns and armor.

There are now in commission, he writes, 225 vessels of all kinds, which is thirty-six more than he found when he assumed charge of the department. As illustrating the preparedness of the navy for defense, Secretary Daniels writes that the country now has 4355 line, staff and warrant officers on active duty, and 53,171 enlisted men, which is the maximum strength allowed by act of congress.

PETROGRAD ANNOUNCES VICTORIES IN HUNGARY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
PETROGRAD, April 26.—An official bulletin issued here by the general staff proclaims that, following the defeat of the Austro-German forces in their recent attempt to outflank the eastern wing of the Russian armies in the crown province of Bukovina, another thrust at the center of the line in the passes of the Carpathians has been driven back at three places.

"Enemy attacks," says the bulletin, "at Kalmiyya and Ludwinow have been repulsed, and in the Unzok Pass they were beaten back with heavy losses."

BARRIE'S 'LITTLE WHITE BIRD' KILLED IN BATTLE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, April 26.—The "original David of 'The Little White Bird'" (Sir James M. Barrie's story that led to the creation of "Peter Pan") has been killed in action in Flanders. He was Lieut. George Llewellyn Davies of the Rifle Brigade, the adopted son of the novelist.

Once he collaborated with his foster father to the extent of suggesting a line in "Little Mary," which was adopted, and for that line he received a royalty of one cent for every production of the play. Davies' mother also figured in some of Sir James' books.

RELATIVES WRITE FOR NEWS OF JOHN COURTNEY

A. L. Sumers, great prophet of the Great Council of Illinois of the Improved Order of Red Men, has written to Louis A. Perry of this city for information as to the whereabouts of John Courtney of Brazil, Indiana.

Courtney is a brother of Mrs. Sohier. He is about twenty-four years of age and was in the United States army. He was in Honolulu about two years ago, from where he wrote to his relatives that he was married. Courtney wrote home for money to return to Indiana. The money was sent him about eight months ago, but no word has been heard from him since. His father died last month and his mother is in poor health. Information furnished to Louis A. Perry of Theo. H. Davies & Co. will be gladly received.

MAIN VILLA ARMY IN SONORA MEETS CRUSHING DEFEAT

Carranza Force Captures Town of Navajo, Machine Guns and Ammunition

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN DIEGO, April 26.—A decisive defeat has been inflicted upon the Villa army forces in Southern Sonora. Carranzistas have captured the town of Navajo, driving out the Villa garrisons, which lost a number of machine guns and a large quantity of ammunition in their precipitous retreat.

The Villa army has withdrawn northward to Pundahua, with the Constitutionalists bringing up a large force in pursuit.

In the Yaqui Valley, last week, the ranch of two Americans was attacked by a band of Yaqui Indians, who attempted to capture ranch buildings, into which the American owners had withdrawn with the pens of the cattle.

A pitched battle was fought, and the Indians were driven off. The defenders suffered severe losses, among the killed being a number of the American employees.

FOUR CHILDREN KILLED WHEN TRAIN HITS AUTO

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
CRESSWELL, Oregon, April 26.—Four children were instantly killed and a man fatally injured yesterday when a rapidly moving train smashed into an automobile, crossing the railroad tracks. The man was taking the children to Sunday school when the accident occurred.

CHINA MUST YIELD OR WAR IS CERTAIN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—"War between China and Japan is a certainty, unless China complies with the demands made by Japan," said Choye Goto, editor of the Minko Shinbun, a Tokyo newspaper, to The Associated Press here last night. "Japan's demands are just. She does not wish to enter upon war, but she may be forced to."

ENGLISH RAILWAYS WILL ELIMINATE DINING CARS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, April 26.—Dining cars are to be eliminated by all English railways for the remainder of the war, it is ordered by the directors of this branch of the railways. The move is in accordance with the general policy of economizing all claims of civilian traffic in favor of the national requirements, as well as an agreement with the national scheme to release as many able-bodied men as can be spared for the fighting line.

CAPTURED MULES ARE WORKING IN LONDON

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, April 26.—A large consignment of mules intended for service drawing German ammunition wagons, has just reached London and is following a more peaceful occupation in the London streets, harnessed to the delivery carts of the army and navy stores.

The animals were taken from a German steamer on her way home from the Pacific.

NO CRADLES FOR WAR BABES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, April 26.—There is a serious shortage in the supply of cradles in England and prices have more than doubled in the past three months. The principal beds of comfort from which English cradles are woven, are in Belgium, in German hands, and there have been no importations since the war began.

ALWAYS RECOMMEND IT.

In almost every community there is some one whose life has been saved by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhea Remedy. Such persons seldom miss an opportunity to recommend it, and these recommendations and its never-failing qualities account for its great popularity. For sale by all dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

MISSION CHILDREN CALL THEIR ROLL

One Hundred and Fourteen of Second Generation Respond—First Woman President

(From Monday Advertiser.)
One hundred and fourteen sons and daughters of the sturdy bands of missionaries who brought Christianity to these Islands nearly one hundred years ago are now living. Many of these, together with their children, and in some instances their children's children, were present yesterday at the annual meeting of the Hawaiian Mission Children's Society held yesterday.

The meeting was held in the rear of the old mission house near Kapiolani church in King street, in the neighborhood of one hundred were present. These represented members of the second, third and fourth generations.

Mrs. Elizabeth Judd Wilder had the honor of being the oldest member of the second generation in attendance. Mrs. Wilder was born in Honolulu, July 1, 1831, and took a keen interest in the proceedings yesterday.

For the first time in the history of the society which was organized in 1852, a woman now heads the organization as president. Miss Agnes P. Judd, by unanimous vote was chosen for this exact position yesterday, succeeding George E. Carter, who was elected vice-president. The other officers elected were: Mrs. R. W. Andrews, secretary; Lyle Decker, treasurer; and R. W. Andrews, recorder.

The only difference in the personnel from the former list of officers is in their positions. Miss Judd, as former vice-president, succeeds George E. Carter to the presidency, the latter in turn becoming vice-president.

The election of Miss Judd as president of the Hawaiian Mission Children's Society shows the progressive spirit of our organization, said one member yesterday. "Miss Judd has always taken an active interest in the affairs of the organization and will enter upon her duties with a full knowledge of what is required."

President Carter called the meeting to order yesterday. The roll showing members of the second generation, who are now alive, together with the names of their parents, was posted on a bulletin board near the president's table. There were quite a number of these older children present yesterday, though many of them are now living in different parts of the world. Following is a copy of the list.

First Company
Rev. Hiram Bingham—Mrs. L. B. Coon.
Second Company
Mr. Levi Chamberlain—Levi T. Chamberlain.
Rev. William Richards—Mrs. Harriet Richards Clark.

Third Company
Rev. Lorrin Andrews—Robert W. Andrews, William Andrews and Mrs. Mary Andrews Nott.
Rev. Ephraim W. Clark—Mrs. Annie Clark Gulick, Mrs. Caroline Clark Austin and Mrs. Luehna Clark Severance.

Rev. Jonathan S. Green—Laura C. Green.
Rev. Peter J. Gulick—Rev. Oramel H. Gulick, Dr. John T. Gulick, Rev. William H. Gulick, Rev. Theodore W. Gulick and John A. E. Gulick.
Dr. Gerrit P. Judd—Mrs. Elizabeth Judd Wilder.

Fourth Company
Rev. Dwight Baldwin—Mrs. Harriet Baldwin Damon.
Rev. Sheldon Dibble—Mrs. Clara Dibble Inch.

Rev. Reuben Tinker—Rev. Joseph E. Tinker, Robert H. Tinker and Mrs. Mary Tinker Harvey.
Rev. Wm. Alexander—Marv J. Alexander, Mrs. Ann Alexander Dickey, Mrs. Emily Alexander Baldwin, Mrs. Charlotte Alexander Ferris.

Rev. Richard Armstrong—Mary Jane Armstrong, Mrs. Ellen Armstrong Weaver and Amelia A. Armstrong.
Rev. John S. Emerson—Dr. Nathaniel B. Emerson, Dr. Justin E. Emerson, Joseph S. Emerson and Rev. Oliver P. Emerson.

Fifth Company
Rev. Cochran Forbes—Gen. Theodore Forbes.
Rev. David B. Lyman—Frederic W. Lyman, Francis O. Lyman and Mrs. Emma Lyman Wilcox.

Rev. Lorenzo Lyons—Dr. Albert B. Lyons.
Sixth Company
Rev. Benjamin W. Parker—Rev. Henry H. Parker, Mary L. Parker, Mrs. Harriet Parker Green and Caroline D. Parker.

Rev. Lowell Smith—Mrs. Emma Smith Dillingham.
Seventh Company
Rev. Titus Coon—Dr. T. Munson Coon and Mrs. Sarah Coon Waters.

Rev. Henry Diamond—Edwin H. Diamond.
Eighth Company
Mr. Edward Bailey—Charles A. Bailey.

Rev. Daniel T. Conde—Rev. Samuel L. Conde, Pauline W. Conde, Charles A. Conde, Henry T. Conde and Lucy K. Conde.

Mr. Amos S. Cooke—Mrs. Martha Cooke Alexander, Mrs. Juliette Cooke Atherton, Mrs. Mary Cooke Turner and Mrs. Francis Cooke.

Rev. Francis Ives—Rev. Joseph B. Ives, Harlan P. Ives and Harriet P. Ives.
Mr. Edward Johnson—Miss Frances Johnson, Henry Johnson and Ellen A. Johnson.

Mr. S. N. Castle—Mrs. Mary Castle Hitchcock, Mrs. Harriet Castle Coleman, William R. Castle, George P. Castle, James B. Castle, Mrs. Caroline Castle Westervelt and Mrs. Helen Castle Mead.

Mr. William S. Van Duzee—Cyrus O. Van Duzee, Mary K. Van Duzee, Dr. Theodore A. Van Duzee, Grace G. Van Duzee, Mrs. Flora Van Duzee Brown and Mrs. Lillian Van Duzee Kidder.

Mr. Abner Wilcox—George N. Wil-

MRS. ELIZABETH JUDD WILDER

The oldest member of the second generation of missionaries, who was one of the most interested of those present at meeting of Mission Children's Society held yesterday. Mrs. Wilder was born in Honolulu, July 1, 1831.



cox, Edward P. Wilcox, Albert S. Wilcox and Samuel W. Wilcox.

Ninth Company
Rev. Elias Bond—Mrs. Ellen Bond Bicknell, George S. Bond, E. Cornelius Bond, William L. Bond, Dr. Benjamin D. Bond, Caroline S. Bond and Julia P. Bond.

Rev. Daniel Dale—Sanford B. Dale, Rev. John D. Dale—Mrs. Mary Dale, George S. Dale, Ella H. Dale and John D. Dale.
Mr. William H. Rice—William H. Rice and Mrs. Anna Rice Cooke.

Tenth Company
Rev. George B. Rowell—William E. Rowell, Mrs. Clara Rowell Dale, Mrs. Ellen Rowell Lambert, Dr. Mary Howell Stolz.

Dr. James W. Smith—Emma C. Smith, William C. Smith, Alfred H. Smith and Mrs. Melicent Smith Waterhouse.
Eleventh Company
Rev. Josiah B. Andrews—Samuel C. Andrews, Lucy C. Andrews, Mrs. Fannie Andrews Shepard and Mrs. Luella Andrews Kilbourne.

Rev. John E. Pogue—Jane K. Pogue and William F. Pogue.
Twelfth Company
Rev. Samuel G. Dwight—Samuel Dwight.

Scattering Not in Companies
Rev. Samuel C. Damon—Samuel M. Damon and Francis W. Damon.
Dr. Charles H. Wetmore—Dr. Francis Wetmore, Mrs. Catherine Wetmore and Mrs. Lucy Wetmore Lewis.

Rev. William C. Shipman—William H. Shipman and Oliver T. Shipman.
Rev. William O. Baldwin—William O. Baldwin.
Yesterday's Meeting
Miss Agnes Judd opened the meeting by leading in song. She was followed by Rev. Oramel H. Gulick, one of the members of the second generation of the missionaries.

The reading of reports of the officers of the organization showed that the society is in excellent condition, and while not possessed of great wealth, there is no indebtedness.

The business of the meeting was concluded shortly after four o'clock and for the following hour or more those present joined in exchanging reminiscences.

One of the features yesterday was the display of a number of old photographs of children of the pioneers who were unable to be present.

PORTABLE CARRIERS TO TRANSPORT CANE

They Work Well and Promise Greatly To Reduce Cost of Fluming

Portable carriers that promise greatly to reduce the cost of conveying cane to the flumes are being tried out on the Kahala plantation, with results that thus far are most encouraging.

The apparatus consists of a series of endless carriers, made in sections of light steel and canvas, and driven by small portable gasoline engines.

The cut cane is picked up by a man or two, dumped into the carriers and trundled to the flume, where another man sees that it passes properly into the chute.

The carriers weigh but little and can be shifted with trifling labor. For long hauls, mules and sledges or wagons are provided.

In the past it has been the custom on most plantations to have the cutting gangs line out their swathes to a specified distance from the flume. Then, when the cane was cut, the gang carried the stalks by hand to the flume. It was hard work and consumed much time. By the new process the amount of cane that can be cheaply and easily conveyed by a few men in a short time is surprising.

FEMALE OFFICERS REPLACE POLICEMEN AT BRIGHTON

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, April 26.—Brighton, England's most popular shore resort, is to replace its policemen, at least partially, with women this summer. The first detail of the woman patrolmen went out duty this month. They wear neat uniforms of dark blue serge, with helmets similar to ladies' riding hats. A large number of recruits are being instructed in first aid, stretcher work, signaling and gymnastics.

The condition of Supervisor James Quinn, who is ill at Kewala sanitarium, was given out last night as unchanged from Saturday evening. "He is no better and no worse," said Dr. J. T. Wayson. "He is quite as well as he was last night."

WHITMAN WILL SEE FAIR

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—Governor Whitman of New York has signified to the management of the Panama-Pacific exposition his intention to pay the fair a visit in the latter part of May.

RUSSIA GIVES GALICIA AID

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
PETROGRAD, April 26.—The Russian government has appropriated \$5,500,000 for the relief of war sufferers in Galicia. The money will be largely used to purchase wheat and horses for the farming population.

CRAB FISHERMEN DROWN IN SURF BEFORE EYES OF SUNDAY THROG

Aviators Drop Life Preservers Beside Victims and Policemen Crack Pistol To Attract Attention of Doomed Men, But Fail

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—Before the eyes of thousands of Sunday afternoon sightseers, four men, believed to have been Italian crab fishermen, were drowned in the surf here today.

Aviators dropped life preservers beside them and mounted policemen galloped along the beach, knee-deep in the water, cracking their automatic pistols in an effort to attract the attention of the doomed men, but it is doubtful if they saw or heard.

From the moment that their launch capsized, they were picked up and hurled helplessly, a tangle of whirling arms and legs, in the rush of the combers. And as fast as the crumbling wall of waters slammed them down on the hard sand, they were sucked out again by the wicked undertow.

Comber Capsizes Launch

An unusually heavy sea had been running all day, and thousands had ridden out to the beach to see the spectacle of the breakers. Those who gave the matter any thought, noticed that a thick-waisted, snub-nosed gasoline launch, such as Italian fishermen use, was hugging the shore rather close as it pointed northward toward the Golden Gate.

Presently it became evident that the launch was making no headway and that the push of the northwesterly wind, which blows steadily from that quarter every afternoon here, was carrying the launch ashore. The steersman stuck to his tiller and his mates were frantically busy with something amiss. No doubt the motor had failed.

The launch drew nearer to the white longer line of the breakers steadily. A comber broke over it. Another comber capsized it, and the men were in the surf.

Aviators Drop Life Preservers

Life savers at the South Point station were the first to appreciate the danger. Silas Christofferson and his brother Harry have their hangar a few hundred yards from the station. Realizing that the Christoffersons' biplane could take the air quicker than their own heavy lifeboat could be launched, the life-savers ran down the beach with fifteen life preservers.

The Christoffersons soared out over the surf, almost as the launch was swamped, and were in time to circle overhead, at an altitude of only a few hundred feet, dropping life preservers all about the men while they were still struggling in the water.

At the same time the mounted policemen on duty along the beach galloped up and down as far out as they dared venture, cracking their pistols and pointing aloft to the aeroplane.

Drama Appalls Big Crowd

Scores of automobiles were rolling slowly along the Ocean Drive, back and forth to the Cliff House, and the promenades were thick with sightseers as the brief drama was being enacted. They had the unhappiness of seeing all attempts at rescue fail.

The bodies have not been recovered and the identity of the men is unknown.